

August 13, 2003

CENTRAL MAINE POWER COMPANY
Request for Approval of Standard Form
Contracts

ORDER APPROVING
MODIFICATIONS TO
STANDARD CONTRACT

I. SUMMARY

Through this Order, Central Maine Power Company's (CMP) proposed modification to the Standard Competitive Electricity Provider Service Agreement is approved (CEP Agreement).

II. BACKGROUND AND DECISION

Section 10 of Chapter 322 requires transmission and distribution (T&D) utilities to enter into contracts with competitive electricity providers (CEPs) to implement various provisions of the Chapter.¹ By Order issued July 19, 1999 in Docket No. 99-170, the Commission adopted a standard form agreement to be used by T&D utilities for their arrangements with CEPs. By Orders issued December 17, 1999 (Docket No. 99-170) and August 12, 2003 (Docket No. 2003-317) further amendments to the standard agreement were approved.

On May 30, 2003, CMP filed a proposed revision to the standard agreement. The proposed revision consists of adding a new section 8.13 to the agreement that is designed to clarify that bill adjustments for the generation portion of the bill will be performed on the same basis as bill adjustments for the T&D portion of the bill. On June 27, 2003, the Commission provided interested persons the opportunity to comment on CMP's proposed revision. The Commission received no comments.

In a February 11, 2003 Order in Docket No. 2002-193, as allowed under 35-A M.R.S.A. § 107(4), the Commission delegated its authority to the Director of Technical Analysis to grant approval of modifications to the CEP Agreement. I have reviewed CMP's proposed change to the standard agreement and find it to be reasonable. The revised CEP Agreement as attached to this Order is hereby approved.

¹ Chapter 322 governs a variety of interactions with T&D utilities, including metering, billing, collections and enrollment.

Dated at Augusta, Maine, this 13th day of August, 2003.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Faith Huntington, Acting Director
Technical Analysis Division

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2. Appeal of a final decision of the Commission may be taken to the Law Court by filing, within **21 days** of the date of the Order, a Notice of Appeal with the Administrative Director of the Commission, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(1)-(4) and the Maine Rules of Appellate Procedure.
3. Additional court review of constitutional issues or issues involving the justness or reasonableness of rates may be had by the filing of an appeal with the Law Court, pursuant to 35-A M.R.S.A. § 1320(5).

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